

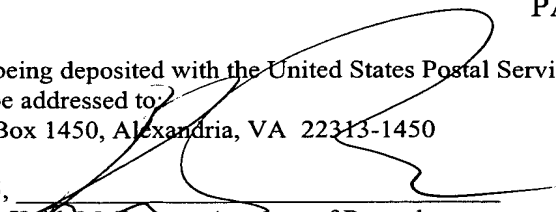
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Appl. No.: 09/663,824
Applicant(s): Kerry W. Vandesteeg
Filed: September 18, 2000
Title: Network Industrial Safety Protocol for Industrial Controller
A.U.: 2662
Examiner: Saba Tsegaye
Docket No.: 00AB015 (110003.97061)

AMENDMENT AFTER ALLOWANCE

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to the Notice of Allowance and Fees Due dated December 29, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 2 and include both an attached replacement sheet and an annotated sheet showing changes.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 3 of this paper.

An **Appendix** including amended drawing figures is attached following page 3 of this paper.